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POLYETHYLENE HIP JOINT PROSTHESIS WITH EXTENDED

RANGE OF MOTION

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AKCINITE BON UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants herein respond to the final Office Action mailed March 4, 2004 (Paper No. 9). Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time, as well as any other needed extension, and provide the requisite fee herewith. Please debit any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to firm deposit account no. 08-1641.